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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of : Marchant, et al. Examiner : Teller, Roy R.  
Application No. : 09/302,195 Group Art : 1654  
Filing Date : April 29, 1999 Docket No. : 26526-7  
Title : SURFACTANTS THAT MIMIC THE GLYCOCALYX

M.S. NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT A AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Examiner:

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 21, 2003, issued in connection with the above-referenced application. The Office Action set a three-month statutory period to respond. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. In view of the Restriction Requirement, please cancel claims 9-12 and 16-20 without prejudice for reintroduction in this or a later filed application. Please amend the subject application as follows: